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1. IN ADDITION TO INFORMATION REGARDING SUBJECT VISITS
REPORTED REFTELS, MFA'S FAR EAST DIRECTOR HAS INFORMED
POLCOUNS AS FOLLOWS:

2. DUTCH AMBASSADOR PEKING WOULD BE TALKING WITH
AMBASSADOR BUSH REGARDING FONMIN VAN DER STOEL'S VISIT.

3. VAN DER STOEL WAS TOLD BY CHOU THAT HE HAS ILLNESS
FROM WHICH HE WON'T RECOVER.

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4. CHINESE SAID THAT CONTRARY TO PRESS SPECULATION

THEIR RELATIONS WITH US WERE GOOD.

5. FONMIN CHIAO ACCEPTED VAN DER STOEL'S INVITATION TO VISIT NETHERLANDS AT SOME FUTURE DATE.

6. SUBJECT OF KOREAN RECOGNITION TREATED SEPTEL.

7. ON ECONOMIC MATTERS, CHIAO SAID THAT CHINA IS SERIOUSLY CONSIDERING A) APPOINTMENT OF AMBASSADOR TO EC AND B) TRADE AGREEMENT WITH EC. WHEN VAN DER STOEL POINTED OUT CONTRADICTION BETWEEN CHINESE DESIRE FOR STRONG AND UNITED EUROPE AND CHINESE SUPPORT FOR HIGH PRICES BY OIL-PRODUCING COUNTRIES, CHIAO MADE NO RESPONSE. ON BILATERAL SIDE, DIRECTOR SAID NETHERLANDS' TRADE WITH PRC IS INCREASING AND NOW FAVORS DUTCH.

8. DIRECTOR DESCRIBED PEKING AIR RAID SHELTER NETWORK WHICH VAN DER STOEL PARTY VISITED AS EXTENSIVE, WELL-PREPARED AND AIRCONDITIONED, WITH ENTRANCE THROUGH ELECTRICALLY-OPERATED SECTION OF FLOOR IN A SHOP SELLING CLOTHING MATERIAL.

9. DIRECTOR WHO HAD LAST VISITED SHANGHAI IN 1962, WAS IMPRESSED BY INCREASED BY ROAD TRAFFIC, QUALITY OF ROADS AND WELL-DRESSED APPEARANCE OF PEOPLE HE OBSERVED THERE.

10. IN TOKYO, JAPANESE FONMIN HAD ACCEPTED INVITATIONS TO VISIT NETHS AT SOME FUTURE DATE.

11. DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS ON HIS OWN VISIT TO SEOUL REPORTED SEPTEL.
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